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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Please enter the following Preliminary Amendment for the above-identified patent application, which is the contemporaneously filed United States national application corresponding to International application No. PCT/AU99/00830, as follows:

In the Specification:

Amend the specification by inserting the following after the title: --This is a United States national stage application of International application No. PCT/AU99/00830, filed September 28, 1999, the benefit of the filing date of which is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120, which in turn claims the benefit of Australian application No. PP 6244, filed September 29, 1998, the benefit of the filing date of which is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.--.

REMARKS

If there are any questions, the Examiner is invited to telephone applicants' attorney at the number listed below.

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